

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH**

**FACT SHEET**

**AUTHORIZATION TO TERMINATE BASIC LIVING SUPPORT SERVICES  
AGREEMENT NO. MH040053 WITH  
CREATIVE NEIGHBORS ALWAYS SHARING  
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 2)  
(3 VOTES)**

**REQUEST**

Authorize the Director of the Department of Mental Health (DMH) or his designee to terminate, without cause, DMH Basic Living Support Services Agreement No. MH040053 with Creative Neighbors Always Sharing (CNAS) shelter, in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement, to be effective thirty days from the date of approval by your Board and DMH's notice to CNAS.

**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION**

The purpose of the recommended action is to terminate CNAS' DMH Basic Living Support Services Agreement No. MH040053, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. The Agreement may be terminated without cause at any time by either party by giving at least thirty days prior written notice to the other party.

**CONTRACTOR**

CNAS, located in Supervisorial District 2 and Service Area 6, is a private, non-profit, community-based agency that operates shelters for women and children at several locations in the City of Los Angeles. Based on CNAS' response to the RFI on February 22, 2006, DMH entered into a Basic Living Support Services Agreement with CNAS to purchase emergency shelter beds for women and their children at two CNAS shelters located at 8224 South Broadway, Los Angeles, CA, and 3847-3849 South Western, Los Angeles, CA. This Agreement, effective July 1, 2006, was superseded on June 12, 2007 with a termination date of June 30, 2009.

In March 2008, DMH received confirmation that there had been a change of ownership of the 3847-3849 South Western, Los Angeles, CA, property due to foreclosure. Currently, there are no DMH mental health shelter bed clients living at either of the CNAS shelters, and DMH has discontinued placing families in these shelters.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES**

The proposed actions will not have an impact on current services in that DMH recently contracted for a new shelter for women and their children in Service Area 6 that has equal or greater capacity than the CNAS shelters.

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